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AMUSEMENTS TO-NIGHT.

GRAND—A "Bunch of Keys."  
OLYMPIA—The German Star Company.  
Forsyth—Davy Crockett.  
STANDARD—Holly and Woods.  
MATINEE TO-MORROW.  
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The indications for twenty-four hours, commencing at 3 p. m. to-day, for Missouri are: Warmer, fair weather; light to fresh variable winds.

THE alleged effort of the Republicans to get South Dakota into the Union is nothing but an effort to keep North Dakota out of the Union.

THERE need be no fear of a beer famine as a consequence of the brewery strike in Chicago. St. Louis can deluge the world with foaming lager.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN and Minister PHILIPS are both on the way home, leaving European affairs still unsettled and Morocco unwarmed by the prowess of the United States.

The presence of Chairman BARNUM in this city making arrangements for the Democratic National Convention brings even from Chicago papers the admission that "St. Louis is the largest market in the world."

The clock in front of the new Post-Dispatch building is not yet under perfect regulation. It is intended to serve as a conspicuous time-keeper by which all can set their watches, and when it is ready for that service the fact will be announced.

GREAT credit is accorded to the Princess of Wales for setting a good example to late comers by standing in the corridor and refusing to enter a concert after the performance of the overture begun until it was finished. But perhaps it was a Wagner overture.

THE direct tax bill was an overture to the solid South. It said "as palp as whisper in the ear," "This means pay for 'emancipated slaves and restitution of the cotton tax, if the South will only go 'in for the Republican policy of high 'taxes and big Treasury raids.'"

JOHN SHERMAN is not a very old man, but he has lagged too long on the stage as a candidate for the Presidency. His wriggles, twistings, floppings and dodgings as the bee buzzes about his ears are becoming pitiful rather than amusing. When even the solemn Senate titers at them, he might suspect that the country is very tired of them.

AN appeal has recently been presented to the Senate Committee on Post-offices to amend the law which permits the cheap book "libraries" to go through the mails at pound rates. Inasmuch as most of these so-called "libraries" are composed of pirated books, one would think that the publishers would be able to pay freight on them instead of sending them free through the mails, but we presume the same liberal legislation which permits the publisher to rob the author finds it only consistent to allow him to rob the mails also.

THE cranks who were talking about bounding SAM RANDALL out of the Democratic Convention are again compelled to admit, as others of his critics have to admit many a time before, that his party is stronger with him than without him, even if he does bother it occasionally by his zeal for Pennsylvania ideas and interests. He is not the only Democrat who "hustles" for his own "destrick," and few men have clung more loyally to the party through periods of disagreement as well as through its darkest hours of trial.

PRINCE WILLIAM's recent speech, halting BISMARCK as the de facto autocrat of Germany did not speak of him also as the head of the Imperial family after the death of Emperor WILLIAM. But it seems

that BISMARCK not only rules Germany but insists on exercising all the authority of an Imperial grandfather over the marriage of Emperor FREDERICK's daughter. The sick man, worried on the one hand by his wife, his mother-in-law and his daughter, on the other by his son and by BISMARCK and the Czar, must soon sink under the strife over this Battenberg marriage.

GOV. HILL doubtless acted in good faith, but good intentions and good faith cannot put a good appearance upon sinister coincidences. When a contract is let to the highest bidder through the Governor's influence, and the bidder sells it for a clean profit of \$50,000, and it then appears that he endorsed the Governor's campaign fund note for \$20,000, and that this note was cashed by an indicted boodler now hiding from justice in Canada, such a conjunction of circumstances cannot be pointed to with pride by the Governor's party friends. It does not of itself suggest a prima facie explanation that is entirely satisfactory. If GOV. HILL has any such explanation in reserve he should not reserve it too long.

THE Supreme Court has decided that the police power of a State extends to the total prohibition of the manufacture or sale of liquors or oleomargarine within the State, and that such prohibition is a matter of legislative discretion not subject to review by the courts. But the Supreme Court has also distinctly decided that this power cannot be exercised to the extent of obstructing interstate commerce by preventing persons from importing the prohibited goods from another State and selling the same in the original packages. It is with prohibited oleomargarine as with prohibited beer or whisky. The citizen can import and sell either of them in the original packages in spite of State law. This makes prohibited "a game not worth the candle," unless all the States unite in it or Congress lends a helping hand.

WHEN party committees make an effort to reform primary elections by proceeding under the statute enacted to protect such elections and prevent fraud therein it may be in the power of Recorder WILLIAMS to defeat their effort by depriving them of any assistance from the lists of legal voters. But if he does so it will be of his own will, in the exercise of his own discretion, and not in obedience to law. When that primary statute was enacted the privilege of using copies of the registration lists in primaries had never been withheld, and it is obvious that the Legislature never dreamed of protecting primaries and preventing fraud therein without the aid of the registration previously provided for by law. If there is no mandate of the law forbidding the copying of the voting lists under proper precautions for use in primary elections, or for anything in the law making it the duty of the Recorder to permit such copying, he cannot prevent it without putting himself in the attitude of willfully using his power under one law to prevent the operation of another.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

SUBSCRIBER.—Fotheringham in his petition asks for \$100.00.

LYNN STREET.—There is no premium on a 25-cent piece of 1869.

SUBSCRIBER.—The St. Louis Cable & Western News opened its files to the public on April 16, 1888.

WAGNER.—A wine. The words transpire and pervade, in this meaning, according to several lexicographers.

ABRIS DEAN.—We know of no regular set of questions on direct tax bill. Its value depends on how badly they are wanted.

T. E.—The 50-cent piece you ask about are sold by dealers as follows: 1854, 75 cents; 1855, 1860, 1861 (ordinary), 1862, no premium.

INQUIRY.—In a base ball score "A. B." stands for "at bat," "C." for "catcher," "A." for "assists" and "E." for "errors."

SPORT.—January 11, 1867, fell on Friday.

W. D.—You register charge to the ante registration office closes every week. The closing is announced weekly.

L. C.—Butter change as much as \$5 for quarters of 1883 without arrows and say that they will pay \$5 for them. We do not publish the address of coin dealers in this column.

GLOVE.—Street cars are not compelled to run on wheels over the chert as provide. The chert of the Cable Western and of the Jefferson Avenue lines do not provide for own cars.

ROSE.—The word senior is pronounced as is written sen-ior, with the accent on the second syllable. It is Spanish, and is nearly equivalent to the English "master."

B. D.—No premium on a 1-cent of 1880. The half-dollars you ask about are quoted as follows: 1865, as high as \$5; 1867, as high as \$1; 1869, 1870, 1871, 1872, 1873, 1874, 1875, 1876, 1877, 1878, 1879, 1880, 1881, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 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## WHEELING'S BIG BLAZE.

**Tobacco Factory Scorched.**

WHEELING, W. Va., April 13.—The stubborn fire to fight, as well as the disastrous in its results, that Wheeling has experienced for years broke out at 5 o'clock morning in the store-room of Wilson & man, dealers in paints, oils, sash, blind glass, on Main street, in the heart of the

the life of regularly born, and in a special herole effect by the FBE Department, not under control for three hours, but the meantime spread to the adjoining building occupied by S. H. Bell, commission member on the first floor; Wheeling Hat B. Co. on the second, and a very large lodge rooms on the upper floors, and next building occupied by offices, all four-story brick structures. The first

aged. F. Unruh, owner of the building occupied by Wilson & Chapman, loses partially insured. Wilson & Chapman, \$80,000; insured for \$16,000. J. W. Paxton, on building, \$10,000; insured. G. A. R., on lodge fire and furniture, \$2,000 insured for \$750. The hall was also occupied by the Sons of Pines, Elks and other lodges, who lose nothing. The loss will aggregate \$50,000, including damage to the Howell Hotel.

**A Serious Explosion.**  
BOSTON, Mass., April 13.—Shortly a  
o'clock this morning fire broke out  
building, 153 to 159 High street and 114  
Olive street. The firemen had hardly  
work on the building when a terrific ex-

partition on the third floor. The firemen met by a sheet of flame and driven back, crawling down the stairs, burned and injured, while others had to be rescued by their outside companions. Chief E. Phend was terribly burned about the head and hands, and is feared internally injured. John O'Brien and hands were badly burned. The fire was extinguished by 10:30.

No. 25, Patrick Kenney and Wm. R. engine 26, were terribly burned about the hands. They were all taken to the hospital. The fire was principally confined to the second and fourth floors. The second floor was occupied entirely by the United States army as Quartermasters' Commissary and Paymasters' offices. Bradley, Hastings & Co., machinists, on the ground floor, and

**Tobacco Factory Scorched.**  
By Telegraph to the Post-Dispatch.  
LOUISIANA, Mo., April 13.—Fire was dis-  
troyed in the attic of J. G. Myer's tobacco  
factory at an early hour last night. By the

flames were confined to that part of the building, and readily drowned out by the immense pressure of the new water-works. The building is the property of John Selbert, and insured for \$2,000 in the Continental of New York. There was \$3,000 insurance on stock in the American Central of St. Louis and the Association of Philadelphia. The stock was greatly damaged by water.

**A Ship on Fire.**  
NEW YORK, April 13.—About 1 o'clock  
afternoon, while two longshoremen  
unloading jute from the ship Glenquin, was  
lying at the foot of Harrison street  
Brooklyn, the ship suddenly took  
fire and also ignited the pier. The fire gained

**Disastrous Forest Fires.**  
FALMOUTH, Mass., April 15.—Disastrous forest fires started this noon in the vicinity of John Lambert's, burning fast with a strong wind.

**Stores Destroyed.**  
ANN ARBOR, Mich., April 13.—Fire early morning destroyed Sheehan's book-  
Toop's bakery. Ray's tailor-shop and  
& Warner's grocery store. Loss, \$35,000

**THE COAL-OIL WAR.**  
**It Rages With Vigor To-Day—Special Meeting of the Police Board.**  
A meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners was held this morning to take special action in regard to the coal-oil war.

D. Johnson, attorney for the Waters-Petroleum Oil Company, in which the Chief of Police notified of the intention of the company to distribute oil to their customers in the city wagons, and that the dealers would be notified. Mr. Baggot inspect it before selling it to consumers. The idea of this is to prevent the company from making a profit. It is to make Mr. Baggot visit every gro-

branding the barrels at the works as he before. This would increase the labors of Coal Oil Inspector 1,000-fold, and compel retail dealer to pay the inspection fee. At a meeting of the Board this morning the report adopted by them last Tuesday was rescinded and the following adopted in its stead:

"Officers are instructed to arrest all persons selling coal-oil or petroleum which has

The only change in the resolution is striking off, at the end, of the words: "evidence of the inspection is the brand of inspection."

The Waters-Pierce Company opened the day with vigor to-day, sending out thirteen oil tank wagons. They also sent out gasoline wagons. Inspector Baggot in a medallion notified the police and soon

Y. Tell of No. 14 wagon, who was arrested in the Second District at 10:50 a. m. Then Albert Poss, driver of No. 11, was hauled in at Central at 11 a. m. He gave bond and was arrested in the Central at 12:55 p. m. C. Horstan, driver of No. 13, was arrested at Central at 12:40 p. m. Chas. Van Trassen of No. 18 at the Fourth District at 11:05 a. m. Christian Joeins of No. 5 at the First District

William Quigley of No. 27 at the Second district at 12:15 p. m.

H. H. Bellerson, driver of wagon No. 23, arrested, but released again as he had not any coal oil, the grocer refusing to take when he saw the officer there.

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**Everybody Talks**

18 years at \$2.50, \$5 and \$7.50.  
**GLOBE, 705 to 713 Franklin avenue**  


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**Dying of Want.**  
 Of all the ravages among the helpless  
 destitute made by diphtheria during the  
 winter season no case was more pitiable than

the Schroeders—Henry, the father, wife and two children—who exist rather than live at 4585 Margaretta avenue. Without fuel or food, and with scarcely sufficient clothing, their case is in need of immediate relief, the more so as the two children are threatened with death. There were six little ones in all, 'till nine months last, when one of them died. Two more have been born since.

covering, is in danger of a relapse, and the youngest is likely to contract the disease any time. The parents are reported to be worthy people and deserving of assistance which will be twice given if given quickly.

**Tascott Captured Again.**  
**CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., April 13.**—Dep

rested a man calling himself James McGee at Oneida, Tenn. McGee is supposed to be William B. Tascott, the murderer of Millaire Snell of Chicago. He arrived at Oneida about the middle of February and answers description of Tascott perfectly, even to gold filling in the teeth and the scar on knee.

friends.

This image shows a blank, aged, cream-colored page, likely an endpaper or flyleaf of a book. The paper has a slightly textured appearance with some minor creases and discoloration, characteristic of old paper. The left edge of the page is bound, and the overall tone is a warm, off-white or light beige.

**Committee Action**  
**Proceedings**  
WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
Committee on Merchant  
to-day, by a vote of six  
adverse report on the  
ing for the payment of  
registered tonnage for  
to all vessels built and  
United States and  
The committee authority  
on the Dunn bill, making  
of the United States to  
whole or in part in an  
port charges and have  
as vessels of the  
to be entitled to  
subject only to the same  
built further that all or  
rials necessary for the  
ment of vessels of the  
the United States after  
imported in bond, and  
materials have been used  
duties shall be collected

**THE FISHER**  
**Its Advantages to**  
**Explained by Post-**  
By Telegram to the Con-  
WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
Consul-General M. H. H.  
Scotia, is here, en route  
Louis. In speaking of the  
fisheries treaty he said  
correspondent to the  
accruing to the United  
visions of the new treaty  
underestimated. New  
been opened up and  
cloths removed as to  
selves of them. We are  
tolerance. We can only  
we can use them for  
for food, and we can  
satisfactory. Even then  
agreeable euphony.  
are liable for no more  
same time enjoy the b  
and other safeguards to  
can can no longer be  
trumped up charge of  
enter Canadian waters  
visions, etc., saving the  
log home in the midst  
our vessels can be  
can always enter the ne  
they may lack the  
has gained  
he said that the  
greater than the  
a vast improvement  
ment. While we  
directly satisfied, it wou  
as, they would qu  
the Senate ratify  
convincing argument  
disatisfaction ex  
the provisions of the  
gard to party they  
likely, however, th  
are in duty bound to  
ment. The Canadian  
will never be as  
sional operation of its  
is decidedly popular  
line."

**Republican Can-**  
WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
publican Caucus Comm  
meeting to-day and d  
of legislation before t  
formulate any "order  
and adjourned. The  
Meanwhile the Dakot  
dustry bill will hold

**The Ho-**  
WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
proceeded to read the  
the day of Wednesday  
consists of ninety m  
sive of several of the  
Missouri asked unanim  
with the reading of the  
Taylor and Mr. Har  
tions. They did not, h  
the ending of the res  
ing would occupy two  
Then he proceeded to  
line of the journal. T  
exactly one hour. A la  
the documents, and  
the Speaker's table d  
were laid before the H  
vetered.

**A DISBANDE**  
Edwin Thorne Closes His  
People's Theater  
St. Louis proved the m  
Theatrical company has  
win Thorne and his com  
at the People's Theater  
theater has been closed  
the week. There are  
the causes which led up  
Thorne's engagement  
company stated that the  
with Miss Rose Har  
ly refused to play for  
Thorne, therefore, with  
er W. C. Mitchell, and  
the other hand it is stat  
ing willing to play for  
Thorne was suffering  
sore throat, and  
was not  
have the engagement  
was organized for the  
there was considerable  
the members this  
the closing of the  
members wanted as a p  
attach the program  
milder causes prevail  
was held by Mr. Thorne  
the with the company  
member half of the week  
dissemination  
favored accepting this  
there were demands for  
the week. The  
principals: Messrs. W.  
Antinague, Bartley M  
Miss Lola Clark and  
All of these members s  
and Bartley Mitchell  
David's company to pla  
week.  
Mr. Thorne was seen  
no trouble at all with  
had a sore throat, and  
lated, and he thought  
The third afternoon  
the company  
Thorne's property if he  
the satisfaction, but  
that everything would  
and there would be no

**ANOTHER FIFTH**  
**Receiver Stephens**  
Bank's Creditors  
Receiver Lon V. Steph  
creditors of the defunct  
the second dividend of R  
ing. There was no great  
generally understood th  
not be made until  
much larger  
ably apply for their mo  
were made were gener  
150 checks, and the  
being given during the  
that the distributio  
completed by Tuesday ne

**BOY ROBBE**  
**Juvenile Highwaymen**  
Boy in Professor  
Another highway robber  
juveniles this morning.  
y it living in Webster Gr  
Toenafelt's Institute, 1  
Constance avenue, whic  
school this morning wa  
and Gratiot streets by a  
who searched the boys  
marbles and his pocket  
tickets. The matter  
police, and a formal  
Hollywood and McMahon  
Thomas McCarthy and  
offense. They were iden  
Were locked up at the Fou

**A LAD ROBBED**  
110 Market street, and  
Edward's bright suit, f  
while at work to-day  
City Hospital.







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